

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS ON THE WAR IN EUROPE

RUSSIAN.
PETROGRAD, Feb. 18.—The general staff of the Russian army has issued a report on the progress of the fighting as follows:
"On the right bank of the Vistula the fighting has been going on in almost the same localities with great ferocity in certain sectors."
"In the region of the Niemen river we have found only patrols of the enemy."
"On the left bank of the Vistula there has been no change."
"In Galicia we repulsed an attack on the Khvira-Viktorovsk front with great losses to the enemy. Further to the east the enemy endeavored to attack in the region of Loubin-Soudne but without success. In repelling this attack we made prisoners of 10 officers and 1,400 soldiers, and captured three guns."
"On the front from Kozianka to Moutyschokoff the Germans delivered a series of determined and spirited attacks forcing themselves vigorously in the direction of Mount Vysokoff. All these advances were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy. Almost an entire battalion was put to the bayonet; the rest of the Germans were made prisoners."
"There is no change in Bukovina."

AUSTRIAN.
VIENNA, Feb. 18.—Official reports given out in Vienna say that after two days of hard fighting the Austrians have occupied the town of Kolomea in Bukovina.
"This success was achieved yesterday afternoon by means of a general attack on the Russian positions," the report says.
"We drove the enemy, in spite of his stubborn resistance, out of his last positions in front of Kolomea, thus reaching the town at one operation. We prevented the Russians from blowing up the bridge over the river Pruth. The town clear of retreating Russians, was occupied by us. We captured 2,000 prisoners and several machine guns and light cannon."
"In the Carpathian section, as far as Vyschokoff, the fighting continues with great ferocity. Four thousand additional prisoners have been brought in."

FRENCH.
PARIS, Feb. 18, 2:45 p. m.—The French war office this afternoon issued a report on the progress of the war which read as follows:
"From the sea to the Oise nothing was recorded last night. It has been confirmed that the successful surprise movement which made us master of the lines of German trenches to the north of Arras, northwest of Roincourt inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. We captured a bomb thrower and several hundred bombs."
"In the valley of the Aisne and the sector of Rheims there have been no artillery engagements in which our batteries had distinctly the advantage."
"In Champagne, in the region of Perthes, all the territory conquered by us yesterday and today, has been retained. Among the numerous prisoners made by us February 16 and 17 are found officers and men of the Sixth and Eighth corps of the active army and of the Eighth and Tenth and Twelfth corps of the reserve army."
"In the Argonne we have also maintained the advances we won in the forest of La Grurie to the south of Fontaine aux Charnes. Furthermore we have made some progress in the vicinity of Bourville, at Hill No. 203."
"Our success in the Argonne and the Meuse reported in the official communication of the evening of February 17, have made us masters of the forest located to the south of Chepy. We have, furthermore, made an advance of about 400 yards to the north of Malancourt and we have made all most as much to the south of the Forest de Forges. All the positions have been retained by us."
"From the Meuse to the Vosges there is nothing to report."

GERMAN.
BERLIN, Feb. 18.—The German army headquarters today issued the following statement:
"On the road to Arras and Lille fighting continues for a small section of a German trench into which the enemy entered on February 16."
"The number of French prisoners taken yesterday to the northeast of Kozianka had increased. The French losses in this region especially were heavy."
"French attacks have ceased."

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Champagne. To the north of Perthes fighting continues. To the east of Perthes the French were repulsed, suffering heavy losses. The enemy has only in a few instances advanced to the German trenches.
"The number of prisoners reported to have been taken by us yesterday has been increased to eleven officers and 789 soldiers."
"The enemy's attacks against the German position near Honscauilles and Vauquois, to the east of the Argonne forest, and to the east of Verdun, failed completely."
"Height 505 and the village of Norroy, to the north of Pont-a-Mousson, which were taken by the Germans on February 13, have been evacuated after the destruction of the French fortifications. The enemy has made no attempt to recapture these positions."
"Otherwise, there is nothing important to report on the western front."
"Near Tauronget and in the district to the northwest of Grodman, the pursuing German troops are fighting the enemy. A Russian detachment beaten near Kolno was reinforced to the north of Lomza by fresh troops. The enemy was then again attacked by us."
"Engagements near Ploock and Radzin have been decided in favor of the Germans. In these encounters we have taken up to the present 3,000 prisoners. There is nothing new to report from the south of the Vistula in Poland."
"The results obtained near the East Prussian frontier are increasing in our favor. So far we have taken 64,000 prisoners, 71 guns, more than 100 machine guns, three hospital trains, aircraft, 150 cars filled with ammunition, searchlights, countless cars filled with goods and horses. A further increase of booty can be expected."

BRITAIN PLACES BLAME ON ENEMY
In answer to American Shipping Protest England Denies That Detention of Vessels Causes Depression.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—In answer to the publication of the full text of Great Britain's reply to the American protest against interference with United States commerce was overshadowed today by prospective developments in the situation arising from announced intention of Germany to put into effect today her submarine war against merchant shipping in British waters. The time limit set by Germany for enforcing her proclamation expired last midnight and officials here feared for the safety of American shipping.
Great Britain's answer denies the charge that American ships and cargoes are unduly detained or that detentions have been responsible for depression in American industries. It adds that if American commerce is depressed, "the cause ought, in fairness, to be sought elsewhere than in the activities of the British fleet."
The note cites among other causes for such business the shortage of shipping facilities, the consequent diminution of the cotton trade and the destruction by submarine mines "aid by the enemy" of many neutral vessels.
While conceding that foodstuffs for a civil population are not contraband, the British note declares that "in any country in which there exists such a tremendous organization for war as obtains in Germany, there is no clear division between those whom the government is responsible for feeding and those for whom it is not."
The answer announces Great Britain's intention to retaliate against Germany's submarine campaign.

ARGENTINE PLEA MADE FOR TRADE
Consul-General Says If United States Bought More From Southern Republics It Could Sell More.
NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Mamuel A. Molina, consul-general of the Argentine republic in New York, in an official statement today made a plea for more extensive trade relations between the United States and the Argentine republic. He goes into details regarding the sound condition of Argentine finances.
After calling attention to Argentine imports from the United States, the consul-general says that while "the United States is interested in capturing our markets by selling its products to us, although the opportunity is there it does not reciprocate in purchasing our goods in a similar degree, which would naturally have a great influence on the minds of our people, and consequently their interest would be aroused toward American products as a matter of reciprocity."
In conclusion the statement says: "As far as the financial situation of the country is concerned it should be stated that it is of the most solid character. The principal sources of production are intact and their developments continue to be a progressive one. The commercial figures for 1913 show an excess of exports over imports. In other words, a balance of trade in favor of the Argentine republic of \$83,000,000. The Argentine foreign trade has reached a total of nearly \$100,000,000 gold."
Old Lady (meeting two little boys)—"Why, Johnnie, how very dirty you are! How is it that your little brother is so much cleaner than you are?" Johnnie—"Well, you see, he's three years younger."

TRYING TO GET SHARE OF LAND

State Is Entitled to Thousands of Acres Under an Old Act of Congress.

WILL LAY CLAIM TO IT NOW

Another effort will be made at once to secure to Oklahoma a share in land, or its equivalent, under the provisions of a law enacted by the federal congress in 1862 and later amended. In 1862, which allowed to each state 30,000 acres for each representative in congress. A conference was held with Governor Williams today by Secretary C. H. Hyde of the School Land Tenure association, and R. E. Wood, assistant in the attorney general office. Governor Williams announced that he would take the matter up immediately with Congressman Scott Ferris, who is chairman of the public lands committee.
In 1862 the federal congress passed a law giving to each state in the union 30,000 acres of land for each representative in the federal congress, which included congressmen and United States senators. Later in 1862, the law was amended so that all territories thereafter coming into the union could have the same opportunity. This law has never been repealed. It is claimed.

May Be Paid in Script.
In the special session of the Oklahoma legislature in 1910 that body complied with the terms of the law and became eligible to participate in the distribution of the land. However, it is now said that there is not enough land available to make up the 30,000 acres for each representative in congress; that only about 5,700 acres may be secured.
While there is a scarcity of land now, it is said that land script may be taken in lieu of the balance in acreage and that the state can sell this script, that the script entitles the holder to take land in any portion of the United States that is open for settlement as public land. This land, when taken, it is said, may be paid for on the spot and the holder not subjected to the terms relative to the homesteading of other lands. The land can be purchased outright with the script.

First Effort Failed.
Mr. Hyde has been interested in this matter for some time, and he believes that it can be successfully terminated. Under the provisions of the old law, Oklahoma at the time of its admission to the union had 210,000 acres of land. As there is now very little land in the state that is not available under the grant, the balance which would be considerable, would be issued in land script. This would be given the state and could be sold, bringing in quite a sum of money to the state.
Efforts were made several years ago to secure some action by the federal government, but in the natural evolution of things was lost sight of and it is not known just to what extent the investigation progressed.

POSTED PICTURE WARNS SHIPPERS

Private Rewards to English Captain Who Rams German Submarine Total Thousands; Public Expectant.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The blockade of the United Kingdom by Germany is on. With the dawn of February 18 there went into effect the German notice warning neutral shipping to avoid British waters.
What will be the effect of this declaration will take a day or two to demonstrate. British shipping interests profess to feel no alarm, nevertheless, all passenger traffic from England to Holland has been tied up. The lines to Scandinavia, however, continue to run. The cross channel services have announced that their schedules will be maintained as usual.
In the meantime the British public is perusing the German notice, and the American communication concerning the war zone blockade. The board of affairs is authorized to purchase a farm as a site with advice of the governor and state commissioner of health. Free admission would be given to those unable to pay who are residents of this state.

The senate this morning passed finally a bill by Senator Campbell Russell which gives legal authority to county commissioners to let contracts for public printing at less than the legal rate when such contracts are awarded to newspapers of general circulation in the county. As originally drawn the bill contained a provision that the contracts should be let to publications of "general circulation among the people interested." This provision was objected to by Senator Pugh, Sutherland and others, who declared it would give small publications in little towns the right to publish matters which were of general interest throughout the county.
All citizens living in the Washington school district west of Walker street are invited to be present at a meeting to be held Friday night, February 19, for the purpose of organizing a civic improvement association. Will H. Clark of the State Civic Improvement association, has called the meeting and will have some competent person to address those present. The meeting will be called at 7:30 p. m. An especial effort is being made in this district to bring about the founding of a good civic association as it is believed that much of the best work in the city may be done there.

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The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles. Dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regular bladder trouble in children. If not cured by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from this and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2222 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists.—Advertisement.

Echoes of the Streets

Mrs. D. Rosenthal of the Dorice Hat Shop in the Colcord building, who recently returned from a New York buying trip, has announced a spring opening next week. At present the shop is undergoing extensive repairs, and a typical French millinery shop will be the result. Pierrot costume decorations will be used throughout.
A raid staged by a force of deputy sheriffs and which took place in the Blinn building, 225 West Grand avenue Wednesday afternoon netted four cases of whisky, two sacks of bottled beer and one tub of beer. No one was found in possession of the liquor and no arrests were made.
A wide field of opportunity is offered to the governor to add to the list of his appointees by a bill passed finally in the senate relating to removal of officers. The mere filling of charges against any official of the state or local governments automatically suspends him and the vacancy is to be filled by the governor. All trials of accused officials are to be had before the supreme court and to be given precedence on the docket.

Posing as a detective in the Kinglake hotel and other leading hotels in the city did not prove very profitable for J. O. E. Durfee. He was given a fine of \$50 and thirty days in jail by Judge Price today. Earl Rardin, night clerk at the Kinglake, testified that he saw Durfee in the hotel several times and on the last occasion, about 4 o'clock in the morning. When asked where he was going Durfee said he was a Burns man and was going to look after some affairs of a woman on the eighth floor. He then boarded the elevator, followed by Rardin, the next trip. Rardin started a search and located him in a dark corner on the sixth floor. Upon getting him to the first floor Durfee drew a revolver and a fight followed.

Alleging extreme cruelty, Ella Johnson has filed suit in the district court for divorce from William L. Johnson. She asks the custody of the three children and alimony amounting to \$7.50 per week with attorney's fees. They were married May 24, 1908, and live on a farm in Oklahoma county.
In a suit for divorce from her husband, C. H. Stewart, which was filed with the district clerk this morning, Mattie Stewart alleges that Stewart deserted her and four minor children who are without any means of support, and that he has been for several months supporting another woman. He has \$2,000 in a local bank, she alleges. Temporary alimony and \$50 cash, together with \$5,000 permanent alimony are asked, and also the custody of the four minor children. They were married on March 11, 1892, and have six children.

Many visitors attended the formal opening of the fine new sanitary meat market of Price & Son, No. 122 West California. An attractive display of all kinds of choice meats, arranged in a most tasteful way, greeted the eye as one entered the market. A refrigerating plant of most improved patterns and ample capacity to give perfect refrigeration to the large storage chambers has been installed. Everything has been planned to handle all kinds of meats in the most sanitary and practical manner. Hot frankfurter sandwiches to visitors and carnations for the ladies were features of the opening.
C. C. Hammonds, state fire marshal, will go to Okemah this evening, where he will make an investigation of a fire which occurred there a few days ago. Officers at Okemah believe the fire to have been of incendiary origin.

The men of the Maywood Presbyterian church will give an oyster supper Friday night at 8 o'clock at the church. The supper will be prepared and served by the men and will be for men only. The occasion is for the purpose of forming a brotherhood among the men of the church and bringing in others. Men of the community, members of the church or not, are invited. The supper will be free to all.

A bill authorizing the establishment of a sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis in some section of the state of high altitude was introduced in the house today by Representative J. T. Dickerson of Oklahoma county. The bill appropriates \$75,000 from the fish and game fund for construction of the buildings and maintenance. The board of affairs is authorized to purchase a farm as a site with advice of the governor and state commissioner of health. Free admission would be given to those unable to pay who are residents of this state.

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In after years a married woman likes to boast of the many proposals she had while yet in her teens.
I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was an operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got tired of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no lost time, no trouble. I have nothing to say but will give full information about how you may find a complete cure without operation. If you write to me, Eugene M. Kellen, Carpenter, 856A—Marceline Avenue, Manhattan, N. J. Better cut out this notice and show it to any others who are ruptured—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.

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GET READY FOR EARLY HARVEST

Distribution of Harvest Hands Will Be Made on Business Basis Where They Are Actually Needed.

Preliminary steps in organizing the wheat producing section of the state, relative to the demand and distribution of harvest hands for the coming season, will be taken by W. G. Ashton, state labor commissioner, when he will make a tour of the northwest corner of the state, beginning next week.
Commissioner Ashton will visit that portion of the state first, following up with the southern and southwestern portions where it is reported the acreage is greatly increased over the past year. Much dependence will be placed in grain and elevator men for the success of the plans as have been arranged by the commissioners of the wheat growing state who propose to work in harmony in the distribution of harvest hands.
Three or four men will be selected in each county who can be in touch with the farmers, all their several communities, and who will know very nearly how many men will be needed to take care of the wheat crop when it is ready. The elevator men will be in direct communication with the commissioner, who in turn will be in communication with the commissioners of other states, and each will know at any time just when the wheat is ready for cutting and how many men will be needed to handle the crop. This will supply continuous work for the men in the field and also furnish help to the farmer when he needs it.
These plans were worked out in a conference recently with the commissioners of the other wheat-growing states at Omaha, attended by Commissioner Ashton. He believes that such a plan is the best that has yet been proposed. The commissioners of the states will also be assisted by men from the federal department of agriculture who will be stationed at the gateways to the wheat growing sections to direct the transportation of the laborers, and keep in touch with conditions of the country where these men are needed.

WORKS ON EXCURSION
Plans for Fifteenth Annual Trip Are Being Made and Tour May Be Through East Part of State.
Plans for the fifteenth annual Oklahoma City trade excursion are being whittled up to shape by W. V. Hardie of the Oklahoma Traffic association, who is an active worker in the annual excursions. Hardie reports that no definite dates have been set for the excursion and that in all probability they will not be for several days, but that the excursion is assured, its support is firm and it will be at a time when it will do the most good.
This annual event has been practiced for the past fifteen years and it is considered a big time in the regular progress of Oklahoma City trade. The plan of the excursion is to have one or more representatives of every large concern in the city go together for a visit of as many Oklahoma towns as can be reached in the five or six days of the trip. At each town the stopover time is spent in boosting for the Oklahoma City concerns and the city at large.
Announcement has been made that that date of the excursion would be set

FACING SITUATION AT HOME BASE CONVENTION THEME

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 18.—"Facing the situation at the home base" was the theme of the third and last day of the Laymen's Missionary convention of the Presbyterian church of the south, in session here. A general conference was conducted by William E. Douglas, educational secretary of New York City.
The Rev. William K. Dubyns of St. Joseph, Mo., and the Rev. E. Port W. Smith, executive secretary of foreign missions of Nashville, Tenn., were among the speakers.
The convention will end tonight and tomorrow, February 23, for three days in Dallas, Tex.

"Let me see," said the young man thoughtfully. "I've got to buy some flowers and some confectionery and some theater tickets and..."
"Doing mental arithmetic?" inquired the man at the next desk.
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